



Tennessee Crop Weather

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For the Week Ending September 30, 2018

INCESSANT RAINS BRING FIELD ACTIVITIES TO NEAR HALT

Lots of ill-timed rainfall this last week of September has delayed crop harvest and even drowned a few soybean fields. Before the rainfall yields were expected to be above average; now, we'll just have to see. Everything else is as expected for September in TN.

Matthew Deist, Marion County

There were 1.3 days suitable for field work, compared to 5.4 last week. Topsoil moisture rated 1 percent short, 46 percent adequate, and 53 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture rated 2 percent short, 59 percent adequate, and 39 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2017	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent					Percent				
Corn - Dented	100	100	100	100	Corn	0	2	16	58	24
Corn – Mature	97	93	96	95	Cotton	4	4	19	52	21
Corn – Harvested	64	60	72	67	Pasture	1	12	31	45	11
Cotton – Bolls Opening	95	93	75	70	Soybeans	1	4	21	56	18
Cotton – Harvested	14	10	4	5						
Soybeans – Dropping Leaves	67	60	68	64						
Soybeans – Harvested	18	16	13	16						
Tobacco – Cut	90	86	84	77						
Winter Wheat – Planted	11	9	4	5						
Winter Wheat - Emerged	6	N/A	1	N/A						

County Agent Comments

Rains and cooler weather set in this week, keeping farmers out of the field. Cotton producers are worried about cotton seed sprouting in open cotton that has yet to be harvested. Wet conditions will take a while to dry.

Jeff Via, Fayette County

Rain started last Friday and continued for seven straight days. Rainfall ranged from just over 5 inches to over eight inches depending on county location. Some crop flooding in river and creek bottoms did occur. Precipitation was beneficial for double-crop soybeans, but all crop harvest has been halted.

Jeff Lannom, Weakley County

5 days of rain pretty much shut down all field work this week. Some parts of the county received over 5 inches of rainfall.

Ronnie Barron, Cheatham County

WET! Reports of 6-10 inches of rain in spots. But much needed in several areas.

James Harlan, Wayne County

We have had 5 inches of rain in some places this week. There's hay on the ground that was cut last week. All field work came to a halt this week.

Larry Moorehead, Moore County

Lots of rain this week.

Johnny Barnes, DeKalb County

4 plus inches of much needed rain fell on Giles County this week and halted all crop harvesting. Pastures looking much better than a week ago.

Kevin Rose, Giles County

Heavy rains kept farmers out of the field last week. Some cotton producers have experienced seed in the bolls sprouting.

Kenny Herndon, Carroll County

Rain halted field work this week. Rain amounts varied from 6-10 inches. Fall calving season is underway and grass is plentiful. Good year for stockpiling.

A. Ruth Correll, Wilson County

Rain all week. Corn and bean producers need fields to dry out so they can resume harvest. Ponds and creeks are full. Still have johnsongrass hay to harvest yet.

John Goddard, Loudon County

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION
For week ending: September 30, 2018 (with comparisons)

LOCATION	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION						
	Week Ending September 30, 2018				Current Week 09/30/2018	Rain Days	Current Since January 1	Departure From Normal January 1	Current Since April 1	Departure From Normal April 1	
	HI	LO	AVG	DFN							
West											
Ames_Plantation	87	54	72	4	2.90	4	59.59	18.45	33.24	5.91	
Bolivar_Wtr_Wks	84	55	70	3	3.10	5	64.01	24.48	40.36	14.42	
Brownsville	87	54	69	1	3.62	5	51.64	12.74	29.01	3.45	
Covington_3SW	86	55	70	3	1.10	4	51.51	12.94	23.85	-1.58	
Dresden	83	52	67	2	3.11	5	46.00	6.96	26.99	0.87	
Dyersburg_Muni	86	53	70	3	2.14	4	30.60	-5.98	18.72	-5.17	
Henderson_4W	80	55	68	3	5.17	6	68.09	25.24	37.40	9.24	
Huntingdon	82	53	68	2	4.83	5	34.00	-4.41	22.12	-3.13	
Jackson_Exp_Stn	85	55	70	2	7.15	6	68.82	29.04	43.69	17.14	
Lexington	81	55	70	4	6.02	5	57.21	19.47	32.09	7.45	
Memphis_WFO	88	56	70	1	3.93	5	56.77	17.48	32.46	6.75	
Milan_Exp_Stn	86	51	68	2	5.56	5	59.11	19.90	33.86	7.46	
Paris	84	55	70	5	2.97	2	36.18	-2.99	21.86	-4.23	
Selmer	84	55	69	2	5.90	5	58.21	15.67	31.61	3.43	
Union_City	78	46	64	-1	2.65	3	42.57	5.07	23.10	-1.78	
Middle											
Bethpage_1S	80	53	67	3	2.62	5	46.87	7.40	28.35	1.88	
Carthage	83	56	69	3	3.60	5	49.73	10.79	31.14	5.10	
Centerville_4NE	78	56	68	4	3.92	5	41.90	-1.99	24.92	-4.99	
Cheatham_L_D	86	51	68	3	1.76	5	45.77	8.02	28.65	3.22	
Clarksville OUT	85	49	68	3	2.59	4	45.70	9.04	27.70	2.59	
Coalmont	78	53	67	5	6.20	5	57.27	13.74	38.94	10.44	
Columbia_3WNW	90	56	70	5	4.68	7	50.70	8.84	31.22	3.63	
Cookeville	84	54	69	4	3.51	5	58.04	15.66	39.96	12.36	
Crossville MEM	82	53	67	4	4.57	4	61.35	19.35	43.91	16.11	
Dover_1W	95	53	69	4	3.84	5	49.79	11.33	34.49	8.92	
Fayetteville_Wt	86	57	71	4	4.55	5	49.53	8.91	30.12	4.43	
Franklin	83	54	70	3	3.93	5	46.41	6.93	29.82	3.68	
Hohenwald	81	47	69	3	3.92	5	54.58	12.56	31.32	3.72	
Jamestown	80	52	66	4	3.87	6	50.12	7.57	34.03	5.35	
Kingston_Spring	81	54	69	4	2.62	5	37.30	0.23	19.68	-4.73	
Lobelville	80	56	69	4	6.75	5	55.97	14.71	31.68	4.30	
Monteagle	84	57	69	5	6.66	5	61.16	14.55	43.29	12.68	
Murfreesboro_5	84	56	70	4	3.81	5	48.87	8.65	31.87	5.11	
Nashville INTL	88	55	71	3	2.39	4	55.70	20.04	38.33	14.47	
Shelbyville_Wtr	86	56	71	5	2.66	5	43.68	1.56	25.91	-1.17	
Sparta_WWTP	84	55	70	5	4.64	5	61.56	20.84	43.07	16.76	
Springfield_Exp	84	50	68	3	2.09	5	40.28	2.45	23.86	-1.39	
Tullahoma	84	57	71	5	4.02	4	53.85	10.28	35.38	7.87	
Waynesboro	87	56	70	5	2.16	5	54.53	10.07	31.11	1.43	
East											
Athens	89	62	73	7	7.69	5	64.86	22.81	48.64	21.67	
Bristol Tri-City	83	59	71	8	1.24	3	42.96	10.52	29.82	7.64	
Chattanooga_Lov	87	64	74	6	5.90	4	53.12	13.82	39.52	14.95	
Gatlinburg_2SW	80	57	68	5	2.94	5	57.38	13.22	37.91	7.55	
Greeneville_Exp	84	61	71	7	1.27	5	39.58	5.10	27.79	3.54	
Kingston_Ag	81	59	70	4	7.83	4	54.92	14.47	35.91	10.53	
Knoxville_AP	85	60	71	5	4.95	4	47.20	10.36	32.25	8.33	
Lenior_City	83	59	72	4	5.70	5	40.50	1.32	26.91	1.80	
Morristown_Radi	82	58	70	6	3.01	5	41.67	6.55	25.63	2.66	
Oak_Ridge	87	59	71	5	6.26	4	46.89	8.25	28.64	4.17	
Roan_Mtn_3SW	79	57	66	5	1.16	5	47.27	8.43	33.05	5.43	
Rogersville_1N	85	56	69	5	3.24	4	46.65	12.45	28.34	5.86	
Townsend_5S	81	56	68	5	2.66	5	48.30	5.25	33.50	5.06	

DFN = Departure from Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Rain Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more during the week. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) measured in inches

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